

Election of the Mayor for West of England Combined Authority  
Thursday 4th May 2017

### Declaration of result - Stage One

I, Stephen Hughes, being the Combined Authority Returning Officer at the election for the Mayor for West of England Combined Authority on 4th May 2017, certify that:

The total number of valid first preference votes cast for each of the candidates is as follows:

BOWLES, Tim Charles	The Conservative Party Candidate	53,796
FOOT, Aaron Warren	UK Independence Party (UKIP)	8,182
HALL, Darren Edward	Green Party	22,054
MANSELL, Lesley Ann	Labour and Co-operative Party	43,627
SAVAGE, John Christopher	Independent	29,500
WILLIAMS, Stephen	Liberal Democrats	39,794
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF 1st PREFERENCE VOTES IS:</b>		<b>196,953</b>

The number of ballot papers rejected is as follows:

Rejection Reason	Number of rejected ballot papers
(a) Want of an official mark	-
(b) Voting for more than one candidate as to the first preference vote	1,347
(c) Writing or mark by which the voter could be identified	18
(d) Unmarked or void for uncertainty as to the first preference vote	1,207
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF REJECTED BALLOT PAPERS</b>	<b>2,572</b>

The total number of ballot papers verified is	199,519
The turnout in the West of England combined Authority Mayoral election is	29.72%

As no candidate received more than 50% of the valid first preference votes, every Local Returning Officer will count the second preference votes for the candidates who are not eliminated from the contest. The remaining candidates are:

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BOWLES, Tim Charles	The Conservative Party Candidate
MANSELL, Lesley Ann	Labour and Co-operative Party

Signed:

Name: Stephen Hughes  
Combined Authority Returning Officer

Dated: